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Poetry

Laughing softly, I heard her say
"It doesn't matter." She smiled her
bleak smile, tinged around the
edges with past happiness, then
she looked into the apple-barrel
and pulled out a worm that had
gnawed its way through.
"That's the way it's always been."
She squished the worm between her fingers,
wiping it off on her apron. □